



Brownfields 2017 Job Training Grant Fact Sheet

St. Louis Community College, St. Louis Missouri-Illinois Metropolitan Statistical Area, MO and IL

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training grant funds are provided to nonprofit organizations and other eligible entities to recruit, train, and place residents from solid and hazardous waste-impacted communities, including low-income and minority, unemployed, and underemployed individuals. To date, EPA has funded 274 job training grants totaling over \$57 million through the Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training program. As of May 2017, more than 16,300 individuals have completed training, and of those, almost 12,000 have obtained employment in the environmental field, an average starting wage of over \$14 an hour. This equates to a cumulative placement rate of approximately 73% since the program was created in 1998.

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\$200,000.00

EPA has selected St. Louis Community College for an Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training grant. St. Louis Community College plans to train 65 students and place at least 52 graduates in environmental jobs. The core training program includes 222 hours of instruction in: 40-hour HAZWOPER; first aid/CPR; introduction to environmental technology; OSHA 10-hour construction safety; chemical hazards; bloodborne pathogens; lead abatement worker; mold remediation; lead renovator, repair, painting; asbestos abatement worker; underground storage tanks; environmental sampling and monitoring; innovative/alternative treatment technologies; storm water management; OSHA 7405 fall protection; OSHA 7410 excavation and trenching; OSHA 7300 permit required confined spaces; and ecosystem restoration. Participants who complete the training program will earn two state and 16 federal certifications. St. Louis Community College is targeting unemployed, underemployed, and dislocated workers, including veterans and ex-offenders, of the St. Louis Missouri-Illinois Metropolitan Statistical Area. Key partners include St. Louis Workforce Development Board, St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment, St. Louis Economic Development Partnership, Laborers' International Union of North America Local 110, HRP Associates Inc., Spray Services, Aerotek, St. Louis YouthBuild/AmeriCorps, and Fathers' Support Center St. Louis.

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For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>).

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